

FOR HOME ADORNMENT

THE WORLD IS RUN BY ELECTRICITY

Here is a Little Story of Some of the Electric Stunts Done for One John Smith.

At the shrill command of his electric alarm clock, John Smith, commuter, sprang out of bed in the grey dawn and switched on the electric light. He hastily washed with electrically manufactured soap. A seasoned veteran of the 7.42 express, he wasted few minutes in dressing, but before he was half clad the water was steaming hot in his electric shaving mug. Dashing down stairs he attacked a rapid-fire breakfast of eggs, electrically boiled, toast, electrically grilled, coffee, electrically percolated, and cream, electrically separated from milk electrically milked from electrically carried cows. He dashed out of his front door just in time to catch an electrically heated and propelled trolley to the railroad station built of electrically manufactured cement. While waiting for the 7:42 express he lighted an electrically made cigarette with an electrically manufactured match. When the express came up, Mr. Smith settled down in the smoking car to read his electrically printed morning newspaper.

Arriving in town he descended into an electrically lighted subway through which he was whisked on electric cars safeguarded by electric signals. He ascended to his twenty story office in an electric elevator and touching an electric button summoned a stenographer with electrically curled hair who operated an electrically manufactured typewriter with electric—

Enough?
But it's not a joke!
One could take John Smith through every minute and hour of his business day, follow him back home again until he turned in for the night—and every minute and hour of that day and night would be made in some way more convenient and comfortable by the marvels of electricity. There are hundreds of thousands, millions of John Smiths, in every great civilized country today.

The change has come so gradually that we do not realize what a revolution electricity has wrought in modern life. There are few uses to which electricity is not put in modern industry and up-to-date households. For an infinite variety of work, ranging from milking cows to making ice cream, from running sewing machines to washing dishes, from the manufacture of locomotives to the making of wall paper, effective and economical use is now made of electrical apparatus. Recently the Crocker-Wheeler company made a tabulation of the purposes for which one type of the motors was used, and the following list includes only a small part of the products electrically manufactured: automobiles, barrels, baskets, boats, bolts and nuts, boots and shoes, bottles, boxes, bricks, brooms, candles, cans, carriages, cartridges, cement, chains, chairs, cigarettes, cordage, corks, elevators, envelopes, gun powder, hooks and eyes, hoops, ice, jewelry, locomotives, lead pipes, leather lumber, matches, nails, oat meal, paint, paper bags and boxes, pins, pottery, presses, rivets, rubber, silk, soap, spools, tacks, textiles, typewriters, wagons, wall paper and wire.

EXPRESSES APPRECIATION OF CAPITAL JOURNAL

Graham P. Taber, Esq.,
Salem, Oregon.
My Dear Mr. Taber:
I want to congratulate you on the splendid showing made in The Journal of last Saturday's demonstration in connection with the opening of the new bridge. Being a printer and newspaper man myself, I can well realize what that involves in a place like Salem, where of course you do not have all the advantages possessed by the metropolitan newspapers. It was certainly a good showing and I will take pleasure in spreading it broadcast to the extent that Mr. Woodruff is able to get copies of the paper. I am only sorry that arrangements were not made for a large number of them in advance.
Thanking you very much for the many thoughtful courtesies extended by yourself and other good friends at Salem to Mrs. Strahorn and myself, and again wishing to earnestly express the sentiment that I am thoroughly imbued with the idea that the demonstration was a great thing for Salem, as well as for the interests I represent, I remain,
Sincerely yours,
ROBT. E. STRAHORN.

Scott & Scott are purchasers of the Peetz new and second hand furniture business at 252 State street. are experienced merchants and are increasing their stock with new goods which are much needed to meet the demands of their patrons. J. E. Scott is with the well known firm of Bechtel & Bynon real estate firm, and Chas. E. Scott was formerly with the Wade, Pearce Co.

THE ROUND-UP

Jim Barry, a railroad employe, was murdered at Wolf Creek, five miles south of Glendale some time yesterday. Jim Chapman, a section workman, who was seen in his company last, has disappeared.

Ralph Henry, acquitted of murder in killing George Dodd, was sent to the insane asylum Friday. He expects to be released in a few days, as he has now regained his sanity—the trial being over.

While Portland has 35,000 women eligible to vote, only 10,000 have registered to date, and there only remains 20 days in which the balance can register.

Mrs. Roy E. Johnson, of Springfield, was severely and perhaps fatally burned Wednesday, her clothes catching fire from the kitchen stove.

F. X. Mathieu, the venerable pioneer, who is quite sick at Portland, is reported as somewhat improved. He is 94 years old, and the wish is general that he may round out a full century.

Seaside has worked the recall on Mayor Gilbert, 74 names more than required being on the petition. The women took an active part in perfecting the petition.

An Up-to-Date Hardware Store.

Ray L. Farmer, an old resident of Salem, who conducts one of the finest hardware stores in the state, has been out at same corner for twenty-eight years. Mr. Farmer has grown in the business with the improvement. Mr. Farmer began when all cooking utensils were made by hand, such as tinware, kettles, wash boilers, etc. Can you realize it? It hardly seems possible, but in this day and age everything is turned out with great rapidity and at much less cost, with the latest improved machinery and in great factories. Look through this store and you will find everything for the kitchen, and to make the home more comfortable and woman's work easier. Springtime demands a change.

POPOORN CONTEST.

Novel Corn-Raising Contest Inaugurated by Capital National Bank—Feature of Salem School Fair.

Marion county may yet become famous as a corn-producing county, if the efforts of several hundred boys and girls can accomplish this result, and unless all signs fail there will be more popcorn in this county next fall than there ever was before.

One of the interesting features of the Salem school fair to be held in the Armory in Salem next fall, will be the popcorn contest.

The Capital National bank has offered \$50 in prizes for this contest, which will be open to every pupil of the public schools in Marion county. The seed will be furnished free by the bank and the prizes will go to the boys and girls who raise the most good popcorn on a single plot of ground not exceeding 1200 square feet in area. The size of the planting has been limited, being only about 1-36 of an acre, so that the boys and girls living in the cities will have a chance at the prizes, which will be thirteen in number. All the work, except the first plowing or spading of the ground, must be performed by the contestants.

The result expected is that hundreds of families in Marion county will be popping corn next winter, and hundreds of boys and girls will enjoy their winter evenings at home eating the crisp snowy flakes which they themselves produced.

Many, no doubt, will have some to sell on the market, where it commands a good price.

The boys and girls who enter the contest will begin getting their ground in order right away, as a full month can well be spent getting the soil in perfect condition for planting. Prof. Sender, head of the department of agriculture at the Oregon Agricultural College, says the best time to plant the seed is in May after the ground is warm and danger from frost is past.

Entry blanks are now being prepared and will be ready for distribution on and after April 1. After that date County Superintendent Smith will, upon the application of any teacher, forward to the teacher the number of blanks required for the signatures of the pupils who desire to enter the race. If more convenient the blanks and seed can be procured by calling at the superintendent's office in the court house, or at the Capital National bank.

The judging will be under the supervision of the Oregon Agricultural college, and prizes will be awarded as follows:

First prize, \$15; second, \$10; third, \$5; fourth, \$2; fifth, \$2; sixth, \$2; seventh, \$2; eighth, \$2; ninth, \$2; tenth, \$2; eleventh, \$2; twelfth, \$2; thirteenth, \$2.

A FIRM BELIEVE IN CONCRETE PAVING

Mr. Arenz Sets Out Some of the Points of Superiority Claimed for Concrete.

In support of his contentions in regard to the paving question now to be fore in this city, George Arenz, of the company of Arenz & Son, sets forth a few features in substantiating the actual worth and wearing qualities of the hard surface pavement. He is an ardent believer in concrete pavement and in view of the fact Salem is on the eve, so to speak, of a new era in paving, he offers some suggestions along the line.

"Salem can reach across the continent and shake hands with Detroit, Michigan," said Mr. G. C. Arenz & Sons, to the Capital Journal man, this morning.

"We have made a long stride on the road that Detroit has travelled in laying her concrete pavements. Upwards of 85 miles of the type of solid concrete that we lay on our Salem street has been put down in Wayne county, Mich., of which Detroit is the center," added Arenz.

He then spoke of the more severe test on the concrete in Wayne county by virtue of the heavier trucks and the heavy tonnage that pours into the big automobile city from the county at large. Edward N. Hines, chairman of the Wayne County Road Commission, took a census of the traffic at a given point, which showed that in four years over 1,300,000 vehicles (more traffic than would go over an ordinary country road in twenty years) had passed, without showing ruts, holes or bumps and with next to nothing spent for surface maintenance.

"Salem can hold her head up in the bid she makes for colonists," continued Mr. Arenz. "The man who comes from a well paved eastern section naturally gives us credit for our concrete pavements. If the boosters for the San Joaquin valley, in California, argue its attractions, because of their 100 miles of concrete roads, we can claim that our own good start points to the day when Salem concrete will not only be laid in the city but out into the country."

"The New York state appropriation of fifty million is going into concrete. Even the Florida everglades are now being invaded by the smooth everlasting concrete roads."

"It should be remembered that Salem can make a strong bid over towns in the valley that have paid high prices for the bitulithic. The easterner is no fool when he buys a home. He comes from the older section where concrete is largely used in paving. They will rate us high for our choice of concrete. They will thank us for eliminating that particular type of bituminous pavement that cannot be boldly guaranteed to wear, and that comes high both in first cost and expense of maintenance."

"Near Seattle there is an experiment that would make most any home seeker shy away," Mr. Arenz declares. "This road was said by its builders to be the last word in road building. It cost the taxpayers \$15,000 per mile. It was bitulithic, laid on a crushed rock foundation. After the road was finished, Old Sol came at high noon with the heat of a summer day and gave it a solar-plexus blow. The tar top grew soft under the heat. There were spongy places beneath the crushed rock. Enter now the heavy wagons. Down through the soft top, pressing the crushed rock into the soft earth, went the wheels. The \$15,000 creation wrecked. Of course, the paving monopoly that built the road came up and rebuilt it, but a burnt child dreads the fire and when the commissioners planned to put in a second road of the same perishable type, the taxpayers rose up and public opinion made the authorities use concrete."

Mr. Arenz harks back to the attitude of the engineers who are laying concrete for roads. "Water may stand on this concrete and no harm follows," says Arenz. "With bitumen, standing water means a rotted place. Then a hole. Into this the heavy vehicle drops, the hole grows and the pavement wrecks. As a result of a scientific test made by the Wayne county commissioners, light is thrown on the wearing quality of concrete. The Pavement Determinator, a device for testing pavements was used. This test showed that sections of brick, cedar block, granite block and bituminous pavement under the severe test, showed a wear of 1 1/2 inches. But the wear on concrete was hardly perceptible."

"Our Salem pavements laid with concrete have a gritty surface, you must remember. They afford good traction for all types of vehicles," concludes Arenz. "Horses find good footing on concrete, without regard to wet weather and no man can tell its length of service, since with each passing year concrete take on greater strength."

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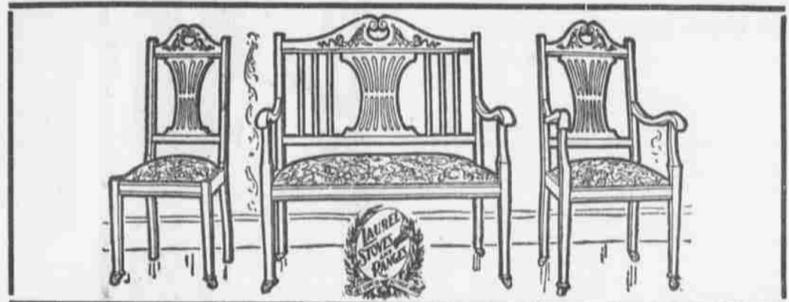
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